



Board Briefs

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Report from the Regular March 15, 2012 Board of Education meeting:

A. Administrative Reports

1. PTA Report – None
2. **Mr. Hullman** – Approval of financial statements for the period ending February 29, 2012 and the five year forecast.
3. **Mr. Atkinson** - Updated the Board on District Goals No. 4: Development of 5 Year Capital Plan, and No. 6: Transportation Cost Reduction.

TRANSPORTATION:

Heath Krakowiak and I have completed the detail of costs associated with our public, non-public, midday and special education routes as it relates to the overall cost of transportation in FY 2011 as determined by our committee of Mark Hullman, Merritt Waters, Todd Hoadley, Heath and myself. The State Highway Patrol has provided us with our annual school bus inspection dates and they are as follows: June 12, 2012, July 23, 2012 and August 6, 2012. BJAMM concluded the drilling of test holes at the Bus Garage and we now await word on the results. We are optimistically confident of receiving the NFA (no further action) after approximately 20 years. The order for the 2012 GMC Sierra pickup truck was placed and anticipated delivery will occur in six to eight weeks from Joyce Buick/GMC. The Six Sigma Team of Tracey Rinas, Lisa Clelland-Williams, Heath Krakowiak and Greg Surtman has progressed with plans to improve our emergency school bus evacuation drills and Heath has formally requested the help of staff at Falls – Lenox to assist in the process of recording results of two future drills that will be planned and conducted. The Bus Garage video surveillance system has been repaired and is fully functional and actually better than before.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

Through review it was determined that our cell tower lease/easement agreement with AT&T will not allow us to entertain a possible buyout of the lease/easement by Crown Castle without written approval from AT&T. The initial proposal received from Crown Castle, in my estimation, would not be satisfactory as presented. At this time, we will table any further pursuit of change. The office renovation, at the Board Office, for Merritt Waters, should be totally complete by the end of the week (March 16). Girl's softball had their first scrimmage on March 8th and between girls softball and boys baseball it will be nonstop from now on. As a result, Tom and Dan are devoting a good portion of time in the preparation of our baseball fields. Working on the FY13 budget proposal for Mark. It encompasses transportation and all buildings and grounds functions. The goal is to complete this by mid March for submittal to Mark. All water testing results are in for the Middle School and it has been confirmed that the contamination issue (excessive copper, zinc and iron levels) exists only in the new eastern addition of the

Middle School. Resolution of this condition is being sought through the assistance of Regency Construction, Gallagher Plumbing and Lake Erie Electric. There is no presence of bacteria in any of the water supply. We will keep you informed of progress towards resolution. Teachers have been informed of the condition by Mark Kurz and Larry Hamilton. Using the water for drinking purposes has been off limits ever since suspicion was brought to the attention of Larry towards the end of January. Tentatively, three valves have been identified as the potential culprits.

PERSONNEL:

Heath Krakowiak conducted a Transportation Improvement Committee meeting on February 23, 2012. Topics discussed included pickup and drop off zones at the High School, Middle School and Intermediate School, turnaround signage, Bagley Road school zone by Falls – Lenox, miscellaneous improvements at the Bus Garage, hand out of candy policy and garage potholes. Merritt Waters, Melinda Brunner and I met with a paraprofessional employee regarding a doctor's note that was provided for a medical condition. The employee very thoroughly explained the issue and Merritt and I will review all of the information and options available prior to a written response. The annual employee appraisal process has begun for all support staff.

4. **Dr. Hoadley – Superintendent Report:**

- a. Alice Training – Alert / Lockdown / Inform / Counter / Evacuate
Heath Krakowiak, Don Svec, Colleen Longville and I attended this training on March 14, 2012. We were invited by OF resident, Mr. Joe Vitale. Gary Thompson, Olmsted Falls City Council President, also attended.
- b. Discussed Healthcare Resolution, on the Supplemental Agenda, which results in a reduction of District insurance costs by \$200,000.00. Dr. Hoadley expressed appreciation to the members of the District's Health Insurance committee for their work and efforts in examining multiple possible solutions before recommending the change to implement a Co-Insurance component to the District's Medical Insurance plan.
- c. Overviewed the agenda for the Work Session scheduled for March 21, 2012. Each building principal will be in attendance and each will brief the Board of Education on their efforts to achieve District goal #3 (Closing the achievement gap for students with special needs and students receiving free and reduced lunches). Additionally, at this work session, several teachers will be in attendance and they will update the Board of Education on the English / Language Arts adoption and specifically, the integration of Reader's Workshop.

5. **Consent Agenda**

A. **Donations**

1. Olmsted Falls Middle School PTA generously donated \$500.00 for "scholarships" for the Washington D.C. trip as well as \$4,000.00 for future field trips for the Middle School student body.
2. Bob Kress, 26944 Adele Lane, Olmsted Falls, Ohio 44138, generously donated 14 reams of colored paper valued at \$140.00.

B. **Minutes**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 16, 2012.

C. Recommendations of the Treasurer

1. Approved Financial Report for the Period Ending February 29, 2012
 - (a) Receipts
 - (b) Expenditures
 - (c) Financial Bank Reconciliations
2. Approved 5-Year Forecast Analysis
 - (a) Supplemental Schedule
3. Approved Analysis of Intermediate/Middle School Project
4. Approved Appropriation Amendments and 412 Certificate for FY 2012

D. Recommendations of the Superintendent

1. Declaration of March 2012 as *Music in Our Schools Month*.
2. Approved contract with Spectrum Consulting Services, LLC for a student with autism and significant behavioral challenges for outside therapeutic placement for the 2011-2012 SY.
3. Approved Agreement between Cleveland Clinic Children's Hospital for Rehabilitation and Olmsted Falls City School District for autism services effective February 12, 2012 until the end of the 2011-2012 SY.
4. Approved Agreement with Westlake Hearing & Speech Clinic, Inc. to continue services for the 2011-2012 SY for two students with IEPs that are attending a separate facility school that does not have the ability to provide speech/language therapy as a related service. There is no contract associated with this agreement.
5. Approved Agreement with North Coast Council Service for Internet Access service for the period beginning July 1, 2012 and ending June 30, 2016.
6. Approved Mediation and Settlement Agreement between the Olmsted Falls Board of Education and Carey Hollingsworth as presented.
7. Approved revised 2012-2013 School Calendar reflecting correct high school graduation date of May 30, 2013.
8. Approved overnight Boys Soccer Summer Team Camp at Edinboro University in Erie, PA from July 23, 2012 through July 26, 2012. The trip will consist of the junior varsity and varsity soccer team members and at least two high school coaches. The trip will be fully funded by the soccer families participating.
9. Approved AP US History Class Trip to Washington, DC on May 19, 2012 through May 22, 2012. Approximately 35 students will be accompanied by John Mercer and other adult chaperones.
10. Approved contract with Agricultural Design Inc. to renovate our High School Football Field to be paid from our Permanent Improvement levy funds. Agricultural Design Inc. will also improve the field drainage at the Schady Road soccer fields wherein the Olmsted Falls Soccer Association will pay \$11,000.00 to cover that cost.
11. Approved overnight trip to Wright State University to compete in the Regional Mini Urban Challenge Competition building Lego robots on March 30 and March 31, 2012. The cost of this trip will be covered in its entirety by the Polaris Career Center.
12. Resolution approving the Recommendation of the Health Care Insurance Committee, consisting of OFEA and OAPSE personnel, to explore solutions which would result in a reduction of insurance costs by at least two hundred thousand dollars.
13. Approved Services Agreement between Cuyahoga Community College District and Olmsted Falls City School District for Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Comprehensive Certification and Lean Six Sigma Yellow Belt Certification.

7. **PERSONNEL** Items (as shown below)
8. **HEARING OF THE PUBLIC ON AGENDA ITEMS**
9. **FOR THE BOARD'S DISCUSSION**
 - A. Regular Meeting – April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. – Falls-Lenox Primary School – Media Center, 26450 Bagley Road, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138
 - B. Work Session – March 21, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. in the High School Media Center, 26939 Bagley Road, Olmsted Falls, OH 44138
 - C. Discussed Tenure Guidelines
10. **ADJOURNMENT**

Personnel

Resignations:

BLAKE, ERICA – Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year

BOWERS, TODD - Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

CZUPIK, NANCY - Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

DOHERTY, MARY CATHERINE – Special Educational Paraprofessional, effective February 16, 2012

FRANKLIN, NANCY – Library Media Assistant, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

HENRY, JANIS – Tutor, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

KEITH, CHERYL - Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

MAGNONE, SUSAN – Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

MARIOTTI, MARY – Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

SELBY, SUSAN – Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

VOLCHKO, ELIZABETH - Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

WOOD, KATHLEEN – Teacher, effective end of 2011-2012 school year, due to retirement

Certificated Staff:

For 2011-2012 School Year

BUTTO, ANGELA – Extend unpaid parenting leave of absence from February 21, 2012 through the end of the 2011-2012 school year

FERSTER, DIANE– To be hired as long term substitute teacher for Rhonna Smith, effective on or around February 13, 2012 with return date to be determined

To pay the following for tutoring students at the Middle School involved in Pupils Achieving School Success (PASS), effective 2011-2012 school year. To be paid through 516 (IDEA-B) funds at the Board approved Step rate:

SARACINA, JILL

PEKARCIK, KRISTINA

Support Staff:

For 2011-2012 School Year:

MAGREY, JOSEPH A. – Contract amendment from 227 days to 237 days effective beginning with current contract starting August 1, 2011*

**(To clarify the resolution originally approved at February 16, 2012 Board meeting)*

To hire the following Teaching Assistant for the 2011-2012 school year at \$10.93 per hour:
Sandra Graham\

Approve the attached Salary Schedule Summary for students participating in OWA, OWE, and CBI Programs effective 2012-2013 school year (Attached schedule reflects salary freeze)

Support Staff Substitute List “G” (Attached)

Supplementals

For 2012-2013 school year:

Talley, John – Head Soccer Coach (Girls)

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For 2011-2012 school year:

Gordon, Lacey - IAT Member (PS) (.50)

Rahas, Lisa - 7th-8th Grade Track Coach (.50)

Roberts, Susan - 7th-8th Grade Track Coach

Schlitter, Ryan - 7th-8th Grade Track Coach

Tangi, Jason - Baseball Coach - Auxiliary

Ware, Stacie - 7th-8th Grade Track Coach (.50)

Stipends:

None